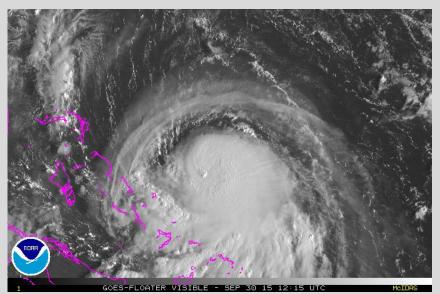


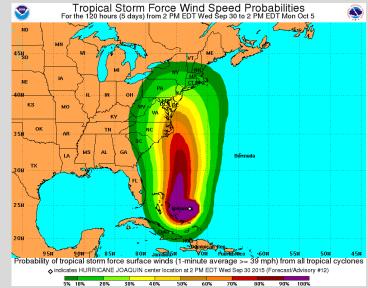
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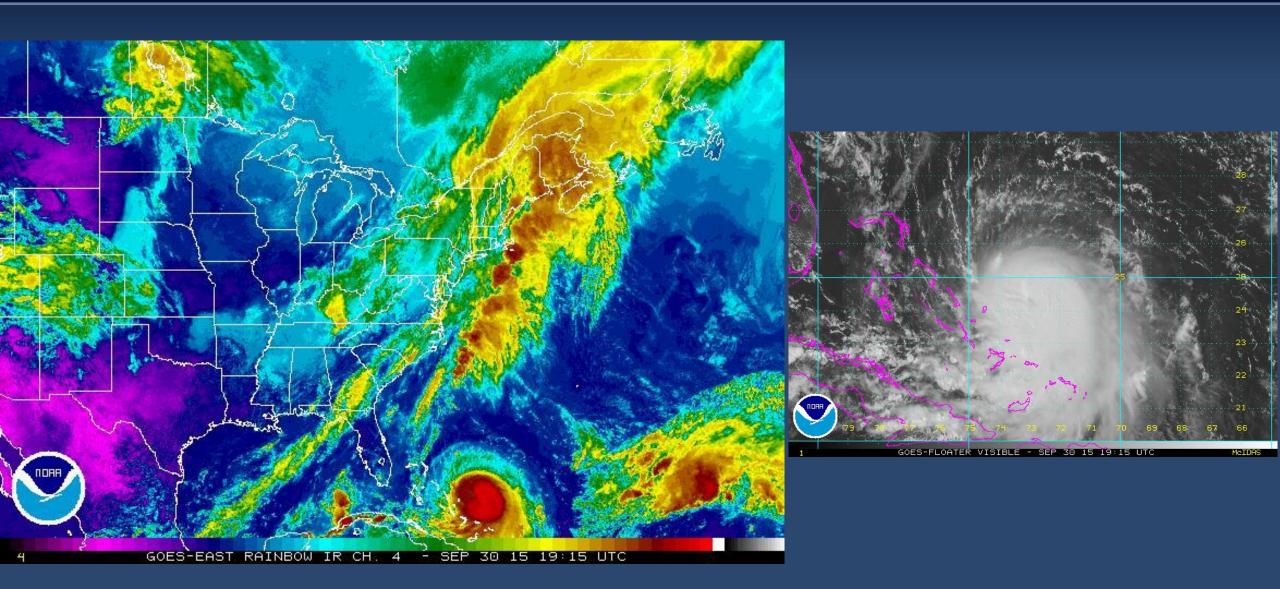
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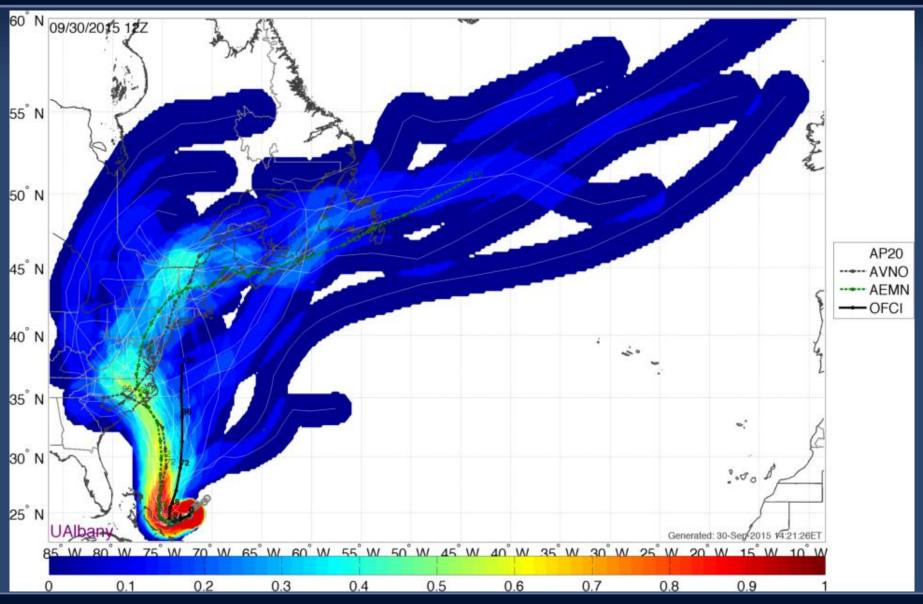
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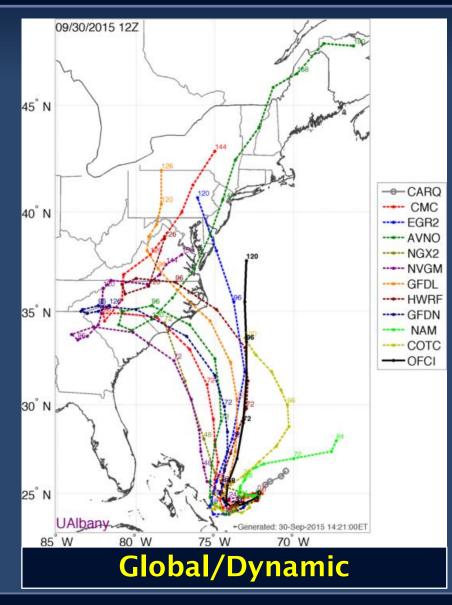
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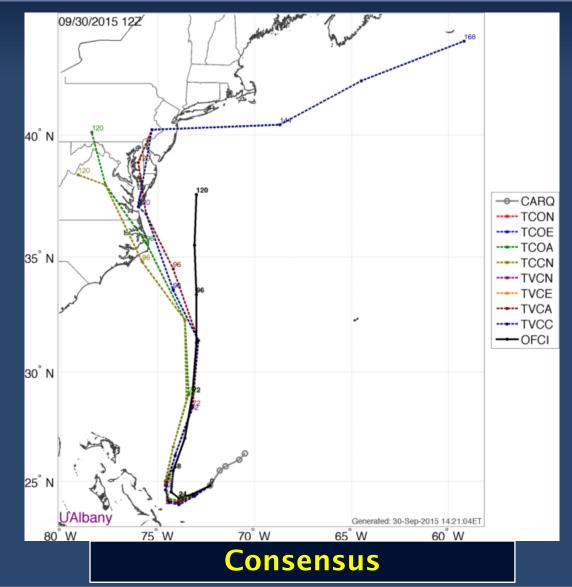






#### **12Z Models**



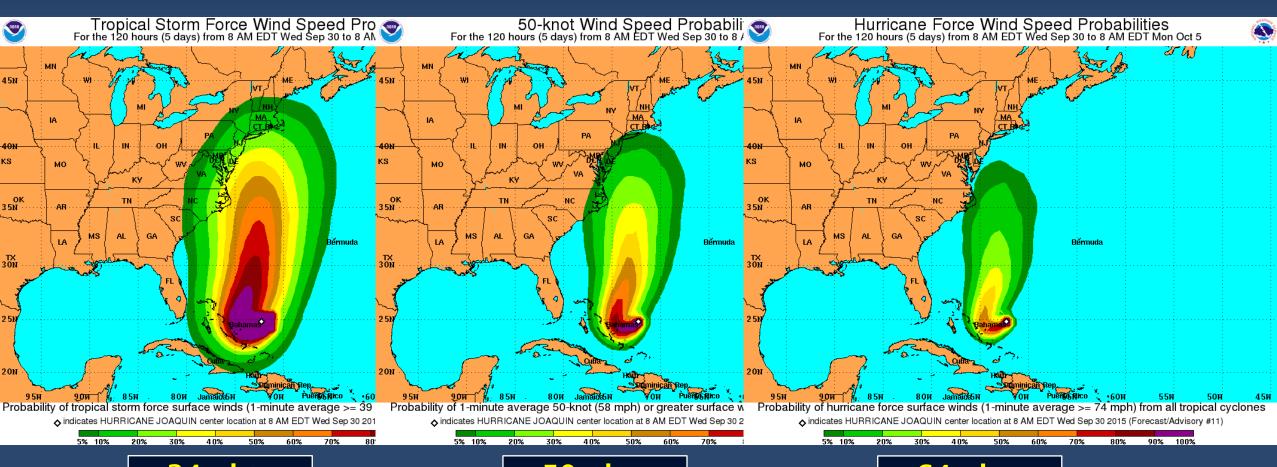






# **Joaquin Wind Probabilities**

#### **From National Hurricane Center**



34+ kts

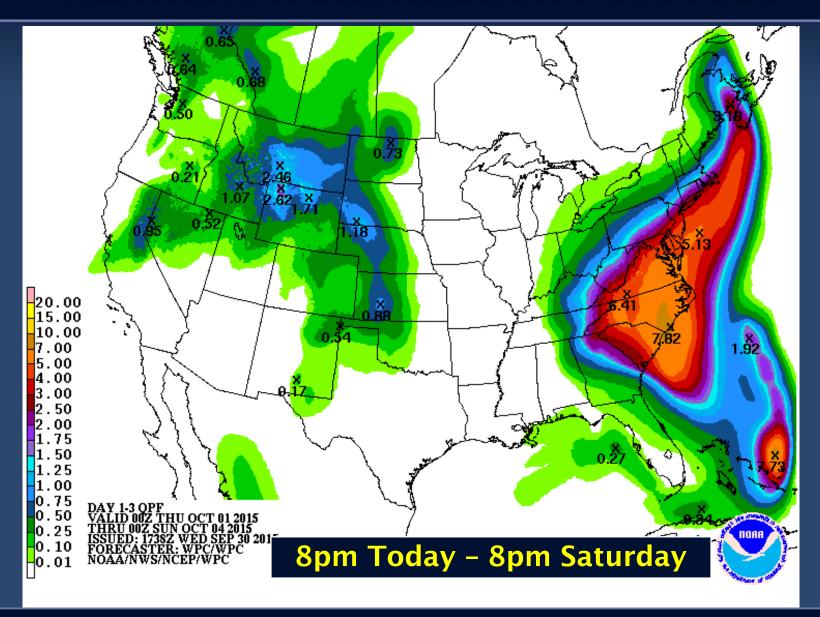
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64+ kts





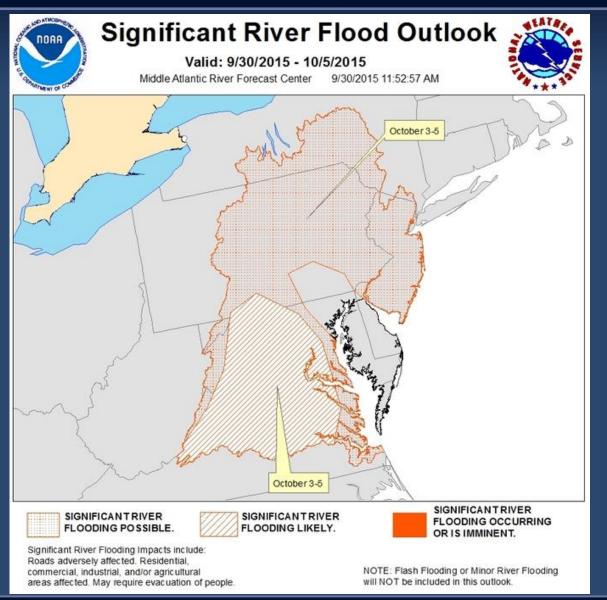
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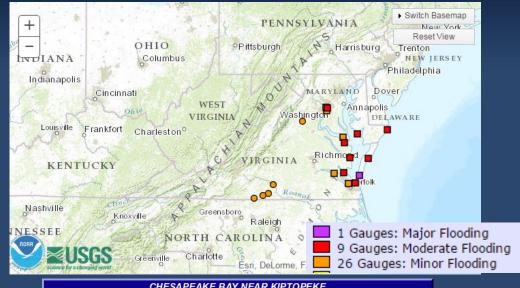


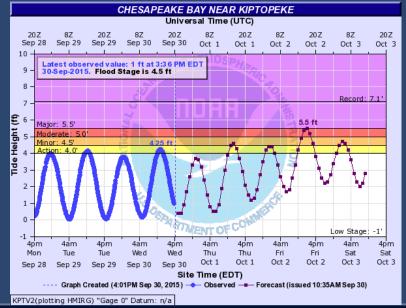




# River and Coastal Flooding Risk









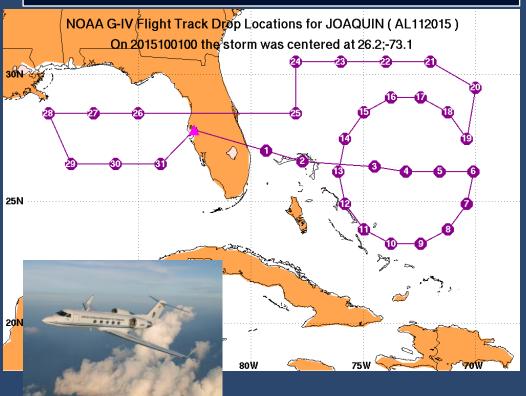


# **Special Observations**

Six-hourly upper air soundings within red circled area



NOAA Gulfstream-IV to provide storm environment information to improve NWP models







# **NWS Activities - Joaquin**

#### **Decision Support Services**

- NWS Eastern Region Operations Center is briefing FEMA Region II, Region III, and United Nations Emergency Management Staff.
- NWS Southern Region Operations Center is briefing FEMA Region IV.
- NHC Director has briefed New York City Office of Emergency Management.
- NOAA Liaison to FEMA and NHC Subject Matter Experts are briefing FEMA leadership.
- NWS National Aviation Meteorologists are briefing FAA Command Center personnel.
- Local NWS Weather Forecast Offices are regularly briefing local emergency managers.





# **NWS Communications - Joaquin**

### Key Messages

- Still uncertainty in the eventual track of Hurricane Joaquin
- Too early to forecast impacts at any given point in eastern U.S.
- If landfall scenario unfolds, might be faster than forecast graphic indicates
  - Hurricane Watch may be needed as late tomorrow.
- Excessive rainfall is a major concern regardless of the eventual track.
- Rip currents and high surf are also a significant hazard all along the eastern seaboard.



